



PRISON RAPE ELIMINATION ACT (PREA)

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LABETTE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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PREA was established in 2003 and was created to eliminate sexual abuse in confinement. The Labette County Jail (LBJ) supports the prevention, detection, reduction, and elimination of sexual assault/abuse and harassment within its facility. This is done through continual process of education, interaction, and enforcement to reduce the possibility of dangerous and harmful behaviors.

On July 27th, 2016, the Labette County Jail participated in an audit by a certified PREA auditor. LBJ met the PREA standards for PREA compliancy.

The Labette County Jail is committed to zero tolerance of any form of sexual assault/abuse and sexual harassment in its facility and it operates directly and/or with which it holds contracts for the confinement of inmates. Sexual assault/abuse of an inmate and sexual harassment of an inmate are prohibited.

The current Labette County Jail facility was built in 1983 with the capacity to hold 40 inmates. The facility was expanded in 1996 and currently has a bed capacity of 84 inmates and holds both local offenders as well as contract offenders for other jurisdictions.

The Labette County Jail Staff consists of: 1 Jail Administrator, 8 Correctional Officers, 2 Transport Deputies and 2 Food Service Personnel.

The Labette County Sheriff's Department has 2 PREA Investigators

Definitions

- (1) Inmate means any person incarcerated or detained in the jail;
- (2) Staff means an agency employee;
- (3) Contractor means a person who provides services on a recurring basis pursuant to a contractual agreement with this agency; and
- (4) Volunteer means an individual who donates time and effort on a recurring basis to enhance the activities and programs of this agency.
- (5) Sexual assault/abuse includes any of the following acts; intentional touching, of the genitalia, anus, groin, breast, inner thigh, or buttocks with the intent to abuse, arouse or gratify sexual desire; if the victim does not consent, is coerced into such an act by overt or implied threats of violence, or is unable to consent or refuse; includes
 - (a) Sexual assault/abuse of an inmate by another inmate
 - (b) Sexual assault/abuse of an inmate by a staff member, contractor, or volunteer as listed above if it is unrelated to official duties.
- (6) Sexual harassment includes repeated and unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, or verbal comments, gestures, or actions of a derogatory or offensive sexual nature; includes
 - (a) Sexual harassment of an inmate by another inmate
 - (b) Sexual harassment of an inmate by a staff member, contractor, or volunteer.
- (7) Investigation ongoing; investigation has not been completed.
- (8) Substantiated; an allegation that was investigated and determined to have occurred
- (9) Unfounded; an allegation that was investigated and determined not to have occurred.
- (10) Unsubstantiated; an allegation that was investigated and the investigation produced insufficient evidence to make a final determination as to whether or not the event occurred.

